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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated July 13, 2005, Applicant respectfully submits a three-month extension of time along with the responsive submission. Applicant also files a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.